

CLAIMS

1 1. A key ring comprising
2 a key-holding ring,
3 a band,
4 a D-ring coupling said band to said key-holding ring,
5 said D-ring having a U-shaped portion engaging the key-holding ring and a bar
6 between the ends of the U-shaped portion and engaging the band.

SUB 1 2. A key ring in accordance with claim 1 wherein the band is a web of material
2 looped through the D-ring and joined at its ends.

A2 1 3. A key ring in accordance with claim 2 and further comprising a clamp at the
2 ends of said web of material.

A2 1 4. A key ring in accordance with claim 2 wherein the web portions are fastened
2 together for most of their length to define an opening accommodating the bar of the D-ring so
3 that the D-ring may rotate about the axis of the bar through an angle of nearly 360 degrees
4 and the key-holding ring may ride along the inside portion of the U-shaped portion of the D-
5 ring about an axis perpendicular to the axis of the bar and perpendicular to the band for
6 substantially 180 degrees.

1 5. A key ring in accordance with claim 3 wherein the clamp width is
2 substantially the same as the width of the band.

A2 1 6. A key ring in accordance with claim 1 wherein said key-holding ring is a
2 spiral ring of material having a cross-sectional span and said bar is formed with a gap

3 intermediate its ends of width about that of said span to allow said key-holding ring to pass
4 through said gap into said D-ring during assembly.

1 7. A key ring in accordance with claim 2 wherein said key-holding ring is a
2 spiral ring of material having a cross-sectional span and said bar is formed with a gap
3 intermediate its ends of width about that of said span to allow said key-holding ring to pass
4 through said gap into said D-ring during assembly.

1 8. A key ring in accordance with claim 3 wherein said key-holding ring is a
2 spiral ring of material having a cross-sectional span and said bar is formed with a gap
3 intermediate its ends of width about that of said span to allow said key-holding ring to pass
4 through said gap into said D-ring during assembly.

1 9. A key ring in accordance with claim 4 wherein said key-holding ring is a
2 spiral ring of material having a cross-sectional span and said bar is formed with a gap
3 intermediate its ends of width about that of said span to allow said key-holding ring to pass
4 through said gap into said D-ring during assembly.

1 10. A key ring in accordance with claim 5 wherein said key-holding ring is a
2 spiral ring of material having a cross-sectional span and said bar is formed with a gap
3 intermediate its ends of width about that of said span to allow said key-holding ring to pass
4 through said gap into said D-ring during assembly.

1 11. A method of making a key ring that includes a key-holding ring that is a spiral
2 ring of material having a cross-sectional span, a band, a D-ring coupling said band to said
3 key-holding ring and having a U-shaped portion engaging the key-holding ring and a bar

4 between the ends of the U-shaped portion formed with a gap intermediate its ends of width
5 about that of said span to allow said key-holding ring to pass through said gap into said D-
ring during assembly, comprising,
6
7 passing the key-holding ring through the gap into the D-ring,
8 and passing the band through the D-ring.